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1. At the beginning of Dec 1953 there were three secret conferences of Communist leaders at Nanning, including delegates from Burma, Malaya, Thailand, Indochina and the Philippines. The conferences were for the purpose of working out a general plan for the Communist conquest of Southeast Asia by 1958.
2. Chen Shao-yu presided over the conferences. He works with Liu Shao-chi, head of the Far East Cominform.
3. Party members charged with underground work in the countries named, or destined to act as liaison personnel will be given courses in a Communist espionage school in Canton. The courses in this school include the languages, geography, historical background and technical details with regard to the countries in which the personnel will work. The agents will also be trained in obtaining information about British and American military forces in the areas in question.

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